

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image recording apparatus which records an image on a recording medium, the image recording apparatus comprising in a housing thereof:

a water vapor removing section which removes water vapor; and
a solvent recovering section which recovers vapor of organic solvent, which evaporates within the housing.

2. An image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the vapor of organic solvent is vapor evaporated from a recording liquid for recording the image on the recording medium.

3. An image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the water vapor removing section is provided at an inlet port which takes in air from outside of the housing into the inside of the housing.

4. An image recording apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the solvent recovering section is provided at an outlet port which exhausts air from the inside of the housing to the outside of the housing.

5. An image recording apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the housing is in a substantially sealed state except for the inlet port and the outlet port.

6. An image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein an activated carbon filter is used as the water vapor removing section.

7. An image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein a silica gel filter is used as the water vapor removing section.

8. An image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the image recording apparatus is an ink jet type image recording apparatus.